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Application No. : 09/771,637 Confirmation No.: 1282
Applicant(s) : Erich HARSCH, *et al.*
Filed : January 30, 2001
Title : Horizontal Transporting System
TC/A.U. : 3652
Examiner : Donald W. Underwood
Docket No. : 82673-0006
Customer No. : 24633

Mail Stop RCE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. The required submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a. ☐ Was previously submitted

i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on

iii. ☐ Other

b. ☒ Is enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply in Response to the May 13, 2003 Office Action and August 12, 2003 Notice of Appeal

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☐ Other

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- ☒ Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a), for the total number of months checked below:

2.	<u>Total Months Requested</u>	<u>Fee for Extension</u>	<u>Fee for Small Entity</u>
	<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
	<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 420.00	\$ 210.00
	<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 950.00	\$ 475.00
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1,480.00	\$ 740.00

3. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1,103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) **required**)

- b. ☐ Other

4. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ Check in the amount of \$2,250.00 (\$770.00 RCE - \$1,480.00 EOT) is enclosed for the RCE fee and any extension of time noted above.

- b. ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-1349.

- i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) in the amount of

- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)) in the amount of

- iii. ☐ Other



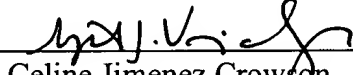
Except for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-1349. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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